

2025-2026 OSAC Update

October

2026-27 FAFSA and ORSAA Open

Students should submit their FAFSA or ORSAA as soon as possible to maximize their chances at receiving financial aid.

NOV 01

OSAC Scholarship Application Opens

Most scholarships require a completed FAFSA or ORSAA to be eligible.

FEB 16

Early Bird Scholarship Deadline

A missing or incomplete transcript results in a rejected application. Submit by this deadline for a chance to win a \$1,000 scholarship.

MAR 2

Scholarship Application Final Deadline

Students should check their email and student portal regularly for updates on their OSAC Scholarship Application.

JUN 1

Oregon Promise Application Deadline

For high school students graduating from Mar 1 to Jun 30; see website for alternate deadlines for other high school and GED® test graduates.

FAFSA & ORSAA

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and the Oregon Student Aid Application (ORSAA) are the two primary financial aid applications for students pursuing a higher education degree.

Students can only complete the FAFSA if they are a U.S. citizen or an eligible non-citizen. The ORSAA serves as an Oregon alternative to the FAFSA for students who have undocumented status, Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) status, or Temporary Protected Status (TPS). Students with a valid visa and international students with a valid visa are not eligible to complete the FAFSA or the ORSAA. If eligible, students submit either the FAFSA or ORSAA, not both.

FAFSA: [StudentAid.gov](https://studentaid.gov)

ORSAA: OregonStudentAid.gov

Student Support Programs

ASPIRE

ASPIRE is Oregon's statewide career and college readiness program that offers education, resources, and mentoring for students. To learn more about participating in ASPIRE, including how to start an ASPIRE site, visit OregonStudentAid.gov/aspire

FAFSA Plus+

The FAFSA Plus+ program gives its partner schools and organizations access to high school student-level data on FAFSA completion. This allows site staff to provide extra support to their seniors who have not yet completed their FAFSA. If you're interested in becoming a site, get in contact with us at OregonStudentAid.gov/Resources/fafsa-plusplus

OregonStudentAid.gov

STATE AID PROGRAMS

Oregon Opportunity Grant (OOG)

The OOG is Oregon's largest state-funded, need-based grant program. Grant awardees must be pursuing an undergraduate degree at an eligible Oregon institution, and they must be enrolled at least half-time.

How to Apply: Complete your FAFSA or ORSAA as soon as possible (funds awarded until depleted)

2025-26 Maximum Awards:

\$4,272 (Community College), \$5,964 (BAS at Community College) \$7,800 (4-year College or University)

Oregon Promise Grant (OPG)

The Oregon Promise Grant is a state grant that helps cover tuition costs at an Oregon community college. Eligible students are recent high school graduates or recent GED® test graduates. Students must meet all eligibility criteria and complete the application process by the appropriate deadline. High school students must apply for the Oregon Promise *during their senior year* and GED® students must apply right after completing their final test. Depending on available funding and number of applicants, OSAC may be required to establish/adjust an SAI limit for award decision-making.

How to Apply: Complete your FAFSA or ORSAA, and submit an Oregon Promise application by your deadline

Deadlines for HS Seniors: Nov 3 (July-Nov graduates), Feb 2 (Oct-Feb graduates), June 1 (Mar-June graduates)

2025-26 Award Range: \$2,202 - \$4,584

Other Public Programs

OSAC administers additional public grants, including:

Deceased or Disabled Public Safety Officer Grant
Oregon Chafee Education and Training Grant
Oregon National Guard State Tuition Assistance
Oregon Student Child Care Grant
Oregon Teacher Scholars Program Grant
Oregon Tribal Student Grant

Deadline: until funds are depleted
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Applications, eligibility criteria, full deadlines, and award amounts are under the grants section on our website.

OSAC SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

OSAC administers more than 600 scholarships for Oregon students. These scholarships are accessible through our OSAC Scholarship Application, which is open from Nov 1 to Mar 2. There are a wide array of need-based and merit-based scholarships available; award amounts and renewal guidelines vary by award. Visit OregonStudentAid.gov for a full catalog of scholarships.

How to Apply: Complete the OSAC Scholarship Application by March 2 at 11:59 PM (PT)

OUTREACH SUPPORT

Upon request, OSAC offers a number of physical and virtual resources for students, families, educators, and community members. Under the Resources section on our website you can find prerecorded financial aid topics, request a live presentation, or order publications for your site.

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